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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **National Institute of Standards and Technology**

#### **National Construction Safety Team Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Construction Safety Team (NCST) Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold an open meeting via web conference on Friday, October 23, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The primary purpose of this meeting is to update the Committee on the status of the NCST investigation focused on the impacts of Hurricane Maria on Puerto Rico and related NCST activities, including event scoring and readiness of teams. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST website at <https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee>.

**DATES:** The NCST Advisory Committee will meet on Friday, October 23, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via web conference. For instructions on how to participate in the meeting, please see the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Maria Dillard, Disaster and Failure Studies Program, Engineering Laboratory, NIST. Maria Dillard's e-mail address is [Maria.Dillard@nist.gov](mailto:Maria.Dillard@nist.gov) and her phone number is (202) 281-0908.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee was established pursuant to Section 11 of the NCST Act (Pub. L. 107-231, codified at 15 U.S.C. 7301 *et seq.*). The Committee is currently composed of six members, appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected on the basis of established records of distinguished service in their professional community and their knowledge of issues affecting the National Construction Safety Teams. The Committee advises the Director of NIST on carrying out the NCST Act; reviews the procedures developed for conducting investigations; and reviews the reports issued documenting investigations.

Background information on the NCST Act and information on the NCST Advisory Committee is available at <https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee>.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the NCST Advisory Committee will meet on Friday, October 23, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be open to the public and will be held via web conference. There will be no central meeting location. Interested members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting from remote locations by calling into a central phone number. The primary purpose of this meeting is to update the Committee on the status of the NCST investigation focused on the impacts of Hurricane Maria on Puerto Rico and related NCST activities, including event scoring and readiness of teams. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST website at <https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee-meetings>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to items on the Committee's agenda for this meeting are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately fifteen minutes will be reserved for public comments and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Public comments can be provided via email or by web conference attendance. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. All those wishing to speak must submit their request by e-mail to the attention of Gwynnaeth Broome at [gwynnaeth.broome@nist.gov](mailto:gwynnaeth.broome@nist.gov) by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, October 13, 2020. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who wish to speak but cannot be accommodated on the agenda, and those who are unable to attend are invited to submit written statements by e-mail to [gwynnaeth.broome@nist.gov](mailto:gwynnaeth.broome@nist.gov).

Anyone wishing to attend this meeting via web conference must register by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, October 13, 2020, to attend. Please submit your full name, e-mail address, and phone number to Gwynnaeth Broome at [gwynnaeth.broome@nist.gov](mailto:gwynnaeth.broome@nist.gov).

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